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BRIEF ON APPEAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.191

Sir:

This supplemental Status of the Claims of the Appeal Brief is submitted in Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief. Applicant hereby submits a revised Status of the Claims section, stating which claims are being appealed, to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 41.37(c). No fee is believed to be due in this filing. However, if a fee is due, the Office is authorized to withdraw the necessary amount from Deposit Account 50-2424.

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III. Status of the Claims

Claims Being Appealed:

Applicant appeals the rejection of claims 94-110, 112, 113, 115 and 116 in the outstanding Office Action dated January 11, 2008. Claims 1-93, 111 and 114 have been previously cancelled.

Communications Affecting Claims:

Applicant appeals the rejection of claims 94 - 110, 112, 113, 115 and 116 in the outstanding Office Action dated January 11, 2008.

As originally filed on 4/30/2002, the application was filed containing claims 1-37 as the national stage entry of PCT/US00/12551, which was filed on 5/8/2000 and claiming priority from Provisional Application No. 60/133,180, filed on 5/7/1999. Claims were amended by Preliminary amendment to conform to U.S. practice. Specifically, claims 2-37 were canceled and claims 38-93 were added, with claims 1,56,69 and 81 being the independent claims.

A first Office Action issued on August 1, 2003, with the Examiner rejecting claims 1 and 38 – 93. In a response on November 3, 2003, Applicants amended claims 1, 42, 43, 56, and 81, but no new claims were added.

On March 22, 2004 a Final Office Action issued rejecting claims 1 and 38 - 93. On July 22, 2004 Applicants canceled claims 56 - 67 and 69 - 91 while amending claims 1, 68, 92, and 93.

On August 11, 2005 The Examiner rejected claims 1, 38 – 55, 68, 92 and 93. An in-person Examiner Interview was conducted thereafter on October 27, 2005 with Applicant, Applicants' representative and Examiner participating. Applicants' invention was discussed as well as U.S. Patent No 5,215,991.

Following the in-person interview with the Examiner, Applicants submitted the Declaration of Dr. Mortimer Civan with an amendment on November 10, 2005. Claims 1

-93 were cancelled by amendment, while claims 94 - 116 were added, with claims 94 and 108 being the independent claims.

On February 21, 2006 the Examiner issued an Office Action subjecting claims 94 – 116 to a restriction and/or election requirement. On March 21, 2006 Applicants elected, without traverse, to prosecute claims 94 – 107, drawn to a method of regulating intraocular pressure and further electing species. A Miscellaneous Action with SSP issued thereafter on June 14, 2006 seeking to further elect representative species encompassed by the claims. A correction to the election was filed by Applicants on July 14, 2006 to include additional agents elected for species.

On February 9, 2007 a second Miscellaneous Action with SSP issued seeking to further elect representative species encompassed by the claims following Applicants response to the restriction/election requirement. On March 7, 2007 a response to restriction requirement was filed by Applicants further electing species related to Group I encompassing claims 94 - 107.

On July 31, 2007 claims 94 – 113, 115 and 116 were rejected by the Examiner in a Final Office Action. Claim 114 was withdrawn. On October 31, 2007 Applicants responded with a request for continued examination. Claims 111 and 114 were cancelled by the response of October 31, 2008 accompanied by the RCE, and claims 94, 96, 103, 104, 107, 108, 112 were amended in the response.

On January 11, 2008 the Examiner issued an Office Action rejecting claims 94-110, 112, 113, 115 and 116 on the same grounds as the Final Action mailed July 31, 2007. On April 10, 2008 Applicants proceeded to file a Notice of Appeal for the rejection on the merits of pending claims 94 – 110, 112, 113, 115 and 116.